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PUBLIC HEALTH BRANCH

1. Occupied Germany:

Communicable Diseases: Attached as Appendices "A", "B", "C", are cases and deaths by Regierungsbezirk and Land and case rates by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the week ending 23 February 1946.

Land Bavaria reports that except for typhoid fever and scarlet fever all diseases have shown some decline in incidence during the past week. Typhus cases are still appearing in refugees. Bremen has no more cases of typhus reported during the past week and other communicable diseases seem to be under control with the exception of scabies. Typhoid immunizations, ordered three weeks ago, have not been started because of lack of supplies. In Berlin there has been a marked decrease in the incidence of diphtheria and a sudden increase in typhus fever. Typhus fever has increased considerably in Greater Hesse. Every precaution is being taken to see that it does not reach the epidemic stage.

Infant Mortality: Recent returns indicate improvement in mortality rates in infants. Special food for sick infants continue to be short.

Veterinary: Land Greater Hesse reports additional cases of hog cholera in Kreis Waldeck. This disease has been present since January. This condition, however, has been confined to this local area by control measures, including immunization with serum.

Venereal Disease: Results of treating 1209 cases of gonorrhea in Bavaria show 97.2% cures. 91% cures have been reported from Berlin. Land Württemberg-Baden has investigated the possibility of opening another venereal disease laboratory in addition to the one at Bad Mergentheim. Land Greater Hesse has opened a new venereal disease hospital in Biedenkopf.

Medical Supplies: One million units of insulin were received in Bavaria this week. This allotment is still only 30% sufficient but will greatly reduce the possibility of diabetic deaths. Greater Hesse reports an adequate supply of DDT powder on hand, with a large supply ready for immediate issue.

Nursing: Information regarding the Nurses' League of the Red Cross has been requested. The nurses' funds were blocked May 2, 1945 and no regulation has been received as to further payment. At present pensioned and sick nurses are in financial distress. Land Bavaria reports one additional training school for children's nurses has been approved for re-opening in Oberbayern.

APPENDIX "A"

Communicable Disease Rates United States Zone of Germany
for Week Ending 23 February 1946

Regierungs- Bezirk	Popu- lation	Typhus Fever Louse borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung and Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	Mumps
Kassel	1,090,205	—	—	—	—	—	—	29.10	8.11 15.74	4.29 6.20	.48	—	48.65 18.13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.43 80.14	—	—	—	—	—	.48	—
Wiesbaden	1,313,985	.40	—	—	—	—	—	36.43	9.11 19.01	2.77 8.32	.40	—	137.41 37.22	1.98 1.19	—	—	—	—	—	.40	8.71	—	—	—	1.58	—	—	—
Hessen	1,085,494	—	—	—	—	—	—	55.08	8.14 34.97	1.92 20.12	.48	—	52.69 13.41	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21.08 256.26	—	—	—	—	36.40	.48	—
Württemberg	1,903,157	.27	—	—	—	—	—	31.40	7.10 10.15	3.00 10.92	.27	—	46.68 18.29	1.09 .27	—	—	—	—	—	—	44.77	—	—	—	—	2.73	1.09	—
Baden	1,076,740	—	—	—	—	—	—	58.44	4.83 27.05	3.86 5.31	.97	—	79.21 15.46 11.59	—	—	—	—	—	.48	—	3.38	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Schwaben	1,065,143	—	—	—	—	—	—	20.50	4.88 10.25	.49 *	—	—	45.38 20.98	.98	—	—	—	.49	—	—	*	*	—	—	*	*	—	—
Oberbayern	2,056,301	1.26	—	—	—	—	—	25.05	6.58 27.07	5.81 15.18	.25	—	25.59 46.15 6.69	.76 .51	—	—	—	—	—	—	*	53.38	—	—	.25	7.08	*	—
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	2,047,792	1.27	—	—	—	—	—	13.21	2.54 9.65	1.52 3.30	.25	—	42.16 11.94	6.60	—	—	.25	—	—	—	*	*	—	—	*	.51	—	—
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,157,602	1.45	—	—	—	—	—	22.41	9.40 16.63	.72 2.41	.72	—	42.18 16.15	5.30 .24	.24	.24	.24	.24	.24	.24	.72 95.92	—	—	—	.24	—	—	—
Mainfranken	931,638	—	—	—	—	—	—	25.67	6.70 10.60	3.91 2.79	—	—	20.65 3.35	4.46 1.67	—	—	—	.56	—	—	—	429.10	—	—	—	31.25	*	—
Bremen Port Command	\$	—	—	—	—	—	—	110.74	7.91 35.03	2.26 *	1.13	—	190.97 41.81	1.13	—	—	—	—	—	—	*	686.08	—	—	—	84.75	*	—
Berlin (US Sector)	931,965	5.92	—	—	—	—	—	53.01	9.49 46.31	6.14	—	—	56 123.88	36.27 16.18	—	—	—	11.16	—	—	—	*	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	15,660,022	.89	—	—	—	—	—	30.72	6.83 19.34	2.97 7.10	.36	.07	60.13 18.08	4.36 .33	.83	.07	—	—	—	—	1.91 74.81	—	—	—	.07	5.74	.26	—

* No data submitted.

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(Expressed as rates per 10,000 Population per Annum)

Communicable Disease Report United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 23 Feb. 1946

Regierungs- Bezirk	Popu- lation	Cases, Deaths	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE																							c: cases		d: deaths						
			Typhus Fever	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung and Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Polio-myelitis	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles					
Kassel	1,090,205	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	61	17	33	9	13	1	—	102	38	9	—	—	—	—	—	3	168	—	—	—	—	—	1			
Wiesbaden	1,313,985	p	1	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	7	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Hessen	1,085,494	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	92	23	48	7	21	1	—	347	94	5	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Württemberg	1,903,157	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	12	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Baden	1,076,740	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	115	17	73	4	42	1	—	110	28	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Schwaben	1,065,143	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Oberbayern	2,056,301	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	115	26	39	11	40	1	—	171	67	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	2,047,792	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	8	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,157,602	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	121	10	56	8	11	2	—	164	32	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Mainfranken	931,638	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	7	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Bremen Port Command	\$	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	42	10	21	1	*	—	—	93	43	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Berlin (Am Sector)	931,965	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	99	26	107	23	60	1	—	235	62	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	\$ 15,660,022	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	24	—	—	—	—	166	47	26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		p	—	—	—	—	—	—	52	10	38	6	13	1	—	175	66	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		p	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	11	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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* No data submitted.

§ Bremen included in report from British Zone — not included in the totals on this report.

APPENDIX "C" Communicable Disease Report (by Land) United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 23 February 1946

Land	Popu- lation	Cases, Deaths	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE																			c: cases		d: deaths						
			Typhus Fever Louse-borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung & Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Poliomyelitis	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	Mumps
Greater Hesse	3,489,684	C	1	—	—	—	—	—	263	57	154	20	76	3	—	559	160	14	3	—	1	—	48	725	—	—	—	80	2	—
Baden	2,979,897	P	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	1	27	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—
Württemberg		P	1	—	—	—	—	—	236	36	95	19	51	3	—	335	99	28	1	1	—	—	7	164	—	—	—	10	4	—
Bavaria	8,258,476	C	16	—	—	—	—	—	332	97	254	40	88	5	1	706	224	61	6	4	1	—	3	1378	—	—	2	84	2	—
Bremen Port Command	460,019	P	1	—	—	—	—	—	13	3	70	4	—	—	—	—	—	9	—	—	—	—	*	616	—	—	—	75	*	—
Berlin (US Sector)	931,965	P	9	—	—	—	—	—	95	17	83	11	—	—	1	222	65	29	—	20	—	—	—	*	—	—	—	—	—	—

Rates Expressed as per 10,000 Population per Annum

Greater Hesse	3,489,684		.15	—	—	—	—	—	—	39.93	8.49	22.95	2.98	11.32	.45	—	83.29	23.84	.74	.45	—	.15	—	7.15	108.02	—	—	—	11.92	.30	—	—
Baden	2,979,897		.18	—	—	—	—	—	—	41.30	6.30	16.62	3.32	8.92	9.52	—	67.62	17.32	4.90	.18	.18	—	—	1.22	28.70	—	—	—	1.75	.70	—	—
Württemberg			1.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	20.91	6.11	16.00	2.52	5.54	.32	.06	44.48	14.01	3.84	.38	.25	.06	—	.19	86.81	—	.13	5.29	.13	—	—	—
Bavaria	8,258,476		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	110.74	7.91	35.03	2.26	—	1.13	—	190.37	41.81	1.13	—	—	—	—	*	696.08	—	—	—	84.75	*	—	—
Bremen Port Command	460,019		5.02	—	—	—	—	—	—	53.01	9.49	46.31	6.14	—	—	—	123.88	36.27	16.18	—	11.16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	931,965		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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